1313. *[Trans/erred to the* 10//; *Decem ber* 1985.]

Criteria for selecting journalists for 'Today in Parliament'

1314. DR. SHYAM SUNDAR MOHAPATRA:

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state?

(a) what are the criteria and guidelines followed by the AIR and Doordashan in the selection of journalists for writing the script for the programme "Today in Parliament";

(b) if no criteria and guidelines for the purpose have been laid down, whether Government propose to do so; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons there for?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) AIR and Doordarshan invite those experienced Correspondents and Journalists who are willing have sufficient proficiency in English and Hindi and experience in Parliament reporting and who are also in a position to devote time for undertaking such an assignment.

(b) and (c) Do not arise

Import of milk powder and butter oil

1315. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR.-

SHRI S. W. DHABE.

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pelased to state:

(a.) what has been the quantity of milk powder and butter oil imported during last three years to produce milk for the milk supply schemes of major cities in (he country;

1 (b) what is the quantity that has been purchased and the quantity which is donated; and

(c) the name of the country which' has donated these and the period for which ! the scheme will be in operation?

- THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRIYOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) 1,14,070.506 metric tonnes of skim milk powder and 25,789.707 metric tonnes of butter oil were received for meeting the requirement of liquid milk plants in the various cities and towns including metro cities, as gift from the European Economic Com-numity (EEC) and Cooperative League of USA during 1982-83 to 1984-85.

(b) The Indian Dairy Corporation purchased 28,023.953 metric tonnes of skim milk powder from indigenous manufacture during 1982-83 to 1984-85. The quantity of donated commodities has been indicated in part (a) of the question.

(c) The gift commodities have been received from EEC for implementation of Operation Flood II Project. However. no indication has been received for continued supply of gift commodities by EEC for this project. Gift supplies of 19,834 metric tonnes of skim milk powder were also received during 1984-85 from the Cooperative League of USA as a one time

. gift for building a buffer stock

Special General Housing scheme for retired I retiring Government servants

1316. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH; Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a. fact that a special General Housing Scheme for retired|retir-ing Government servants who had retired within 3 years from the date of the scheme or were to retire within 3 years from that date, was opened between 15-12-1982 and 15-2-1983;